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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone)

TOPIC Military Information from Goerlitz

APPENDIX 5

EVALUATION 25X1X PLACE OBTAINED 25X1A

DATE OF CONTENT 8 and 10 May 1952 25X1A

DATE OBTAINED DATE PREPARED 22 May 1952

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

SOURCE 25X1X

On 10 May 1952, source observed that a pontoon bridge had been constructed across the Neisse River in Goerlitz (O 52/B 00), north of the Reichenberger Bruecke opposite the town park. The bridge consisted of eight pontoons each with two stabilizing ears. The pontoons were covered with planking which was supplied by the municipal construction office and was allegedly needed only for 10 days by the unit. A net against floating mines was laid just south of the bridge. A small truck [ ] was seen at the bridge on 8 May. The trucks belonging to the engineer unit were sheltered on the Leonschen estate southeast of Gross Biesnitz, south of Goerlitz. Trucks [ ] were seen driving from the Leonschen estate to Promenadenstrasse in Goerlitz. \*

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\* [ ] Comment. The same source previously reported that the engineer unit arrived by rail and the pontoon bridge was constructed on 26 April 1952. Truck [ ] belongs to the 1st Assault Ingr Regt of the First Gds Mecz Army in Dresden-Neubitz, truck [ ] belongs to the First Gds Mecz Army. This engineer regiment had left its installation on 29 February and was not back on 10 April. It is quite plausible therefore that a unit of this regiment is in Goerlitz. The present information tends to indicate that it is there for a practice. A sketch supplied by source indicate that the pontoon bridge is halfway between the Reichenberger Bruecke and the destroyed bridge in the continuation of Lindenweg. The truck seen on 8 May belongs to the 9th Mecz Div; [ ]

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